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Bromine was discovered by A.J. Balard in 1826 in Montpellier, France. The name comes from the Greek word "bromos" meaning "stench".

Bromine salts may be economically recovered from bromide-rich brine wells and from the Dead Sea waters (up to 50000 ppm).

The most common uses of Bromine are in Gasoline anti-knock mixtures, Fumigants, Poisons, Dyes, Photographic chemicals, Medicines and Brominated vegetable oil.

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ARTISTS DESCRIPTION

One of the interesting uses for bromine is in some old-fashioned and potent insecticides. I carved a lino block with my design of dead insects and various other creatures and printed this over a background which is meant to evoke the amazing colour of bromine gas.

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